

What's happening this week...

Mar .08, 2020	7:00pm	Youth Group
	8:00pm	Evening Prayer
Mar. 09, 2020	9:00am	Morning Prayer
	8:00pm	Evening Prayer
Mar.10, 2020	7:30pm	Board Meeting
Mar.11,2020	9:00am	Morning Prayer
	9:30am	Holy Eucharist and Bible Study
	7:30pm	Stations of the Cross
	8:00pm	Evening Prayer
Mar.12,2020	1:30pm	Northeast Ministerial – St. Paul RC Coniston
	8:00pm	Evening Prayer
Mar 13., 2020	9:00am	Morning Prayer

In our prayers...

In the Anglican Cycle of Prayer, we pray for the Province de L'Eglise Anglicane Du Congo The Most Revd Zacharie Masimango Katanda - Archbishop of the Congo & Bishop of Kindu

In the Anglican Church of Canada, we pray our Primate, Archbishop Linda Nichols, for our Metropolitan and Diocesan, Archbishop Anne Germond; for our Archdeacon, Glen, and for our parish clergy Fr. Aidan, Fr. Jeff and Bishop Andrews.

In the Diocese of Algoma, we pray for Manitoulin Island Parishes -The Rev. Doug Prebble, The Rev. Canon Bain Peever (Hon. Emeritus-St. Francis of Assisi)

We pray for reconciliation with Indigenous Peoples Merciful God, you call us to loving relationship with one another. Be with us now as we seek to heal old wounds and find joy again in this relationship. Replace our hearts of stone with hearts of flesh. Give us the gifts of honesty and openness, and fill us with your healing power and grace. We ask this in Jesus's name.

We pray for the following people for God's continued healing and strength during the coming week, especially - Canon Michael & Muriel Tamara, Nancy, Marshall, Bain,Kay, Mags, Dave Fowler, Annette ,Barbara, Claudette, Gerry, Jim, Mary Rose, Sarah, Jaqueline, Colin, Connie, Catherine, George, David & Dan

We pray for the repose of the soul of Dave Cole

We pray for those who are living in retirement residences or nursing homes, or who find it difficult to join us for church on Sundays; Milt Fleming, Karin Hoffman, Laurent Constantineau, Bessie Morgan and Sybil Crawford. May they always feel God's presence in their lives.



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*"In the same way, let your light so shine before others that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."
(Matthew 5.16) - Archbishop Anne's Motto for 2020*

Holy Eucharist:	Sunday 9:00 am & 11:00 am Wednesday 9:30 am
Morning Prayer:	Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9:00 am
Evening Prayer:	Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, Sunday 8:00 pm
Messy Church:	1st Wednesday of the month at 4:30 pm

Welcome to our worship!

It is good to have you here with us today. If you are visiting the Church of the Ascension for the first time, please know that the Anglican Church teaches that all who are baptized with water in the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit are welcome to receive the sacrament at the time of communion.

2nd Sunday in Lent
9am & 11am Holy Eucharist

Processional 5
Collect of the day BAS 288
First Lesson Genesis 12:1-4a
Psalm 121
Second Lesson Romans 4:1-5, 13-17
Gradual 569
Holy Gospel John 3:1-17
Offertory 180
Prayer over the Gifts BAS 289
Communion 59,70
Prayer after Communion BAS 289
Recessional 503

Flowers are given to the glory of God and in loving memory of Robbie dear son of Dan & Nancy Turner.

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Almighty God, whose Son was revealed in majesty before he suffered death upon the cross, give us faith to perceive his glory, that being strengthened by his grace we may be changed into his likeness, from glory to glory; who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and for ever.

First Reading

A reading from Genesis (Genesis 12:1-4a)

Now the Lord said to Abram, "Go from your country and your kindred and your father's house to the land that I will show you. I will make of you a great nation, and I will bless you, and make your name great, so that you will be a blessing. I will bless those who bless you, and the one who curses you I will curse; and in you all the families of the earth shall be blessed." So Abram went, as the Lord had told him; and Lot went with him.

Psalm 121 BAS 882 Refrain - The Lord himself watches over you.

Second Reading

A reading from Romans (Romans 4:1-5,13-17)

What then are we to say was gained by Abraham, our ancestor according to the flesh? For if Abraham was justified by works, he has something to boast about, but not before God. For what does the scripture say? "Abraham believed God, and it was reckoned to him as righteousness." Now to one who works, wages are not reckoned as a gift but as something due. But to one who without works trusts him who justifies the ungodly, such faith is reckoned as righteousness. For the promise that he would inherit the world did not come to Abraham or to his descendants through the law but through the righteousness of faith. If it is the adherents of the law who are to be the heirs, faith is null and the promise is void. For the law brings wrath; but where there is no law, neither is there violation. For this reason it depends on faith, in order that the promise may rest on grace and be guaranteed to all his descendants, not only to the adherents of the law but also to those who share the faith of Abraham (for he is the father of all of us, as it is written, "I have made you the father of many nations")-in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist.

Gospel

The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to John (John 3:1-17)

Now there was a Pharisee named Nicodemus, a leader of the Jews. He came to Jesus by night and said to him, "Rabbi, we know that you are a teacher who has come from God; for no one can do these signs that you do apart from the presence of God." Jesus answered him, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can see the kingdom of God without being born from above." Nicodemus said to him, "How can anyone be born after having grown old? Can one enter a second time into the mother's womb and be born?" Jesus answered, "Very truly, I tell you, no one can enter the kingdom of God without being born of water and Spirit. What is born of the flesh is flesh, and what is born of the Spirit is spirit. Do not be astonished that I said to you, 'You must be born from above.' The wind blows where it chooses, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes. So it is with everyone who is born of the Spirit." Nicodemus said to him, "How can these things be?" Jesus answered him, "Are you a teacher of Israel, and yet you do not understand these things? Very truly, I tell you, we speak of what we know and testify to what we have seen; yet you do not receive our testimony. If I have told you about earthly things and you do not believe, how can you believe if I tell you about heavenly things? No one has ascended into heaven except the one who descended from heaven, the Son of Man. And just as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of Man be lifted up, what whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him may not perish but may have eternal life. Indeed, God did not send the Son into the world to condemn the world, but in order that the world might be saved through him."

Prayer over the Gifts

God of wisdom, may the light of the eternal Word, our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ, guide us to your glory. We ask this in his name.

Prayer After Communion

Creator of heaven and earth, we thank you for these holy mysteries, which bring us now a share in the life to come, through Jesus Christ our Lord.
